UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

CASSANDRA A. H..,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 2:24-cv-4169 Judge Edmund A. Sargus, Jr. Magistrate Judge Peter B. Silvain, Jr.

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on the parties' Joint Motion for An Award of Attorney Fees Under the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA"), 28 U.S.C. § 2412. (ECF No. 10.) The Parties stipulated to an award of attorney's fees in connection with the resolution of this case. (*Id.*)

The Court **GRANTS** the parties' Joint Motion. (ECF No. 10.) The Commissioner shall pay Plaintiff's attorney's fees in the amount of \$1,600 and costs in the amount of \$405 "in full satisfaction and settlement of any and all claims Plaintiff may have" under the EAJA in this case. (*Id.*) After the Court enters this award, counsel for the Parties shall verify that Plaintiff owes no pre-existing debt to the United States subject to offset, consistent with *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 560 U.S. 586 (2010). If no such pre-existing debt exists, Defendant shall pay the EAJA award directly to Plaintiff's counsel pursuant to the EAJA assignment signed by Plaintiff and counsel.

The case remains closed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

5/12/2025 DATE s/Edmund A. Sargus, Jr.
EDMUND A. SARGUS, JR.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE